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## Police Arrest Elkridge Man in Domestic Stabbing

Howard County Police charged an Elkridge man today with attempted second degree murder, first and second degree assault and reckless endangerment following a domestic dispute that occurred last night. Allen W. Cooley, 43, of the 5700 block of Furnace Avenue, was charged with stabbing his 33-year-old stepson Keith Swoboda, of the same residence.

Last night at approximately 10:16 p.m., Howard County Police responded to Swoboda's address on Furnace Avenue after receiving a report of a stabbing. Police learned that Swoboda had been stabbed in the chest following a physical altercation with Cooley, and that Cooley had fled from the scene.

Police canvassing the area located Cooley a short time later on Paradise Ave. in Elkridge and took him into custody. He was treated for minor injuries at Howard County General Hospital and then transported to the detention center, where he was charged.

Swoboda was transported to Shock Trauma for treatment. He is currently in stable condition.